

**Minutes of the Village of Forreton Board of Trustees**  
**Village Hall**  
**Monday May 15, 2023, 7:00 PM**

Trustee Vinnedge calls the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited by all.

On Roll Call by Clerk Shenberger, Trustee Vinnedge, Norris, Cotter, Officer Klosa, Maintenance Supervisor Timm, Treasurer Schneiderman, Trustee Buss, and Busker. Two members of the public.

The Minutes of the May 1, 2023, meeting are reviewed. Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the minutes and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Cotter. On Roll Call, Trustees Vinnedge, Norris, Cotter, Buss, and Busker all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

Public Comment – Ron Bickford inquired about all the dumpsters around town. He would like to know if something is going to be done about all of them. Would like to know if there is going to be an ordinance put in place for them.

Clerk Shenberger swore in the new part time police officer Ross Dillon.

Building Permits – 409 S Locust – Fence and Pool – 24ft above ground pool will be located in the back yard. The fence is going to be chain link and will be 6ft from the back lot line and it will have 1 gate. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the permit pending payment and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Norris, Cotter, Buss, Busker, and Vinnedge all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

306 E Main St – Sidewalk – Republic will be putting in a sidewalk along the back of the employee parking lot and replacing two other sections of sidewalk. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the permit pending payment and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Cotter, Buss, Busker, Vinnedge, and Norris all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

410 South First Ave – Deck – The deck will be located on the back of the house. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the permit and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Buss, Busker, Vinnedge, Norris, and Cotter all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

303 S 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave – Pool – Replacing a pool that has been down for over a year. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the permit pending payment and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Busker, Vinnedge, Norris, Cotter, and Buss all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

Treasurers Report – Treasurer Schneiderman reviewed his report. Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the report and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Cotter. On Roll Call, Trustees Vinnedge, Norris, Cotter, Buss, and Busker all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

Accounts Payable are reviewed by the Board. Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the accounts payable and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Norris, Cotter, Buss, Busker, and Vinnedge all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

**Committee Reports:**

Streets & Alleys - Trustee Buss – Nothing to report.

Sewer and Water – Trustee Vinnedge presented the letter that will be sent out to residents for the rate increase and change in billing process. This letter will go out with the next billing.

Finance - Trustee Norris stated starting in June she would like to start having finance committee meetings monthly like they have done in the past.

Budget officer Report – Budget Officer Schneiderman reviewed his report. Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the report and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Buss. On Roll Call, Trustees Norris, Cotter, Buss, Busker, and Vinnedge all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

Trustee Buss asked if we are getting interest in the money that is sitting in the bank. Treasurer Schneiderman said yes. Trustee Buss asked if we could check around to see if we can get a higher interest anywhere else.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Zoning, Planning - Trustee Cotter stated the state and county inspections at Warnken Park concessions passed. Everything is complete and ready for the ball season.

Ordinances – Trustee Vinnedge presented a Parks and Recreation Ordinance. He stated we have had some issues at the park and no ordinance to enforce. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to send the ordinance to Rob for review and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by

Trustee Norris. On Roll Call, Trustees Cotter, Buss, Busker, Vinnedge, and Norris all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

Special Committee New Building Committee of the Whole – Trustee Vinnedge stated he will check into the sign and flagpole and get an update on when they will be installed. The roof on the Village Hall was repaired this weekend.

Clerk's Report –Clerk Shenberger stated she had nothing to report. Trustee Vinnedge asked about the gworks software. Clerk Shenberger stated Rob had some concerns and that was passed onto Jessica who passed it onto their CEO. Clerk Shenberger also stated that she received a packet from the Codification company that she needs to send back, and that process will start.

Chief of Police Report – Officer Klosa stated they assisted Ogle County Sheriff's Department with a single vehicle rollover outside of the village. They escorted the Junior High Track Team through the village from state finals. They also responded to the Jr/Sr High School regarding threats made between students. The students ended up fighting and both were suspended. Officer Klosa stated there has been ongoing driving complaints around town and they have stepped up traffic enforcement due to more coverage.

Special Event Permit – Forreton Reformed Church – Community Event in Believe in the Children parking lot. There will be food trucks as well. Motion is made by Trustee Buss to approve the permit and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Buss, Busker, Vinnedge, Norris, and Cotter all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

Special Event Permit – Smokin Gun Works – They will be hosting a 5K to raise money for Friends of NRA Youth Shooting Sports. There will be food trucks as well. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the permit and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Norris. On Roll Call, Trustees Busker, Vinnedge, Norris, Cotter, and Buss all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

Supt. of Public Works Report – Maintenance Supervisor Timm reviewed his report. He stated they have been doing brush pickup, put dirt, and seeded ditches from storm and sewer and sidewalks. They planted trees and mulched them. They flushed hydrants and started cold patching streets. He stated they have been mowing and trimming and spraying weeds. They replaced solenoid on influent auger at WWTP. They put dirt and gravel in holes from lead service replacement.

Trustee Buss asked if we were going to hire the mowing for ordinance violations or just do it ourselves.

Village President's Report – President Metzger is not in attendance. Trustee Vinnedge stated we are in the process of enforcing the cleanup of a couple of abandoned houses and our attorney stated they are delinquent on taxes, and we could pay that and own them to get them cleaned up.

New Business – BDD – Josh's Saloon – They would like to install new security cameras inside and outside of the building. Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the BDD and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. On Roll call, Trustees Vinnedge, Norris, Cotter, Buss, and Busker all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

Bike Memorial Donation – Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to donate \$600 and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Norris, Cotter, Buss, Busker, and Vinnedge all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

Discussion and approval of IEPA Water Meter Loan #17-5892 Request #2 in the amount of \$80,306.10 – Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to approve the request and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Norris. On Roll Call, Trustees Cotter, Buss, Busker, Vinnedge, and Norris all respond with Yeas. Trustee Kalina is absent.

Old Business – nothing to report.

Trustee Vinnedge will entertain a motion for adjournment. Motion is made by Trustee Buss and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. All are in favor. The Meeting is adjourned at 8:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Shenberger